

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 SAN JO 02422 270208Z
ACTION A-01

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 ISO-00 SS-15 NSC-05 PRS-01 SSO-00
/033 W

-----270215Z 070539 /21

O 270030Z MAY 77 ZFF-4
FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 7543
WHITE HOUSE WASHDC IMMEDIATE
USIA WASHDC IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS SAN JOSE 2422

FOR: STATE A, WHITE HOUSE MARY HOYT & BARBARA HEINEBACK,
USIA ILA, GEORGE MILLER

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, ROSALYNN)
SUBJECT: MRS. CARTER'S VISIT TO LATIN AMERICA

HEREWITH REVISED LIST OF QUESTIONS POSSIBLY EXPECTED AT
MRS. CARTER'S PRESS CONFERENCE.

THE VISIT:

A) WOULD YOU LIKE TO COMMENT ON YOUR DISCUSSIONS
YESTERDAY WITH FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO AND PRESIDENT
ODUBER?

2. DOES PRESIDENT CARTER INTEND TO VISIT LATIN AMERICA IN
THE NEAR FUTURE?

3. WILL COSTA RICA DERIVE ANY SPECIFIC BENEFITS FROM YOUR
VISIT SUCH AS AN INCREASE IN MEAT EXPORT TO THE U.S.?

4. WERE THE COUNTRIES ON YOUR ITINERARY CHOSEN FOR ANY
PARTICULAR REASON? YOU ARE VISITING THE
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 SAN JO 02422 270208Z

DEMONCRACIES OF LATIN AMERICA BUT YOU ARE ALSO
VISITING BRAZIL, PERU AND ECUADOR. HOW DO
YOU EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTION OF THESE PARTICULAR
COUNTRIES?

5. WHEN YOU CAME TO COSTA RICA FIVE YEARS AGO AS
THE WIFE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GEORGIA, DID YOU

EVER IMAGINE THAT YOU WOULD COME BACK AS
FIRST LADY ON AN OFFICIAL MISSION?

HUMAN RIGHTS:

6. IS PRESIDENT CARTER FIRMLY COMMITTED TO THE IDEAS
ON HUMAN RIGHTS? WHAT MAIN PROBLEMS DO YOU
FORSEE IN PURSUING THIS POLICY?

7. PRESIDENT CARTER HAS STATED THAT U.S. ENDORSES
COSTA RICA'S PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH THE POSITION
OF UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. DOES
WHE U.S. INTEND TO TAKE ANY SPECIFIC MEASURES TO
BRING ABOUT THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PROPOSAL?
WILL THE U.S. AND COSTA RICA WORK TOGETHER IN
THIS EFFORT?

8. WILL THE U.S. MAKE ANY CONCESSIONS TO THOSE
COUNTRIES IN LATIN AMERICA SUCH AS COSTA RICA
WHICH HAVE AN EXCELLENT HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD?

9. IF MEASURES NOW BEING TAKEN BY THE USG TO PROMOTE
THE CAUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS DO NOT IMPROVE THE HUMAN
RIGHTS SITUATION IN COUNTRIES SUCH AS ARGENTINA, CHILE,
EL SALVADOR AND NICARAGUA, DOES THE CARTER ADMINISTRA-
TION PLAN TO TAKE FURTHER MEASURES?

U.S. POLICY

10. HOW DOES THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION POLICY TOWARD
LATIN AMERICA DIFFER FUNDAMENTALLY FROM HENRY
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 SAN JO 02422 270208Z

KISSINGER'S APPROACH TO LATIN AMERICA.

11. WHAT IMPACT HAS AMBASSADOR TODMAN HAD ON THE
FORMULATION OF U.S. POLICY TOWARD LATIN AMERICA IN
THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION?

PANAMA CANAL:

12. WHAT IS THE U.S. POSITION AND WHAT DOES THE U.S.
WISH TO ACHIEVE IN THE SETTLEMENT OF THE PANAMA
CANAL QUESTION?

13. DO YOU EXPECT THAT A NEW PANAMA CANAL TREATY WILL
BE SIGNED THIS YEAR? IF IT IS SIGNED, WILL THE U.S.
SENATE RATIFY IT?

CUBA:

14. WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THE PROSPECTS FOR THE
RESUMPTION OF U.S.-CUBAN RELATIONS?

15. WILL THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION INTEREST IN HUMAN RIGHTS AFFECT THE POSSIBLE RESUMPTION OF U.S.-CUBAN RELATIONS? WILL THE U.S. DEMAND THE RELEASE OF POLIONCAL PRISONERS IN CUBA AS A CONDITION FOR LIFTING ECONOMIC SANCTIONS OR RESUMING RELATIONS?

VESCO:

16. DID YOU DISCUSS THE VESCO CASE WITH PRESIDENT ODUBER?

17. DOES THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION REALLY WANT TO EXTRADITE FUGITIVE FINANCIER ROBERT VESCO?
IF SO, WHAT PLAN DOES THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAVE, AND HOW SOON WILL IT ACT?

PERSONAL:

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 04 SAN JO 02422 270208Z

18. HAS YOUR LIFE CHANGED NOW THAT YOU LIVE IN THE WHITE HOUSE? HOW IS IT DIFFERENT FROM YOUR FORMER LIFE IN PLAINS, GEORGIA?

19. IS IT TRUE THAT YOU ARE TAKING A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN YOUR NATION'S DECISION MAKING PROCESS THAN FORMER FIRST LADIES?

20. ISIT TRUE THAT ONE OF YOUR INTERESTS IS WORKING ON BEHALF OF MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN? (THIS QUESTION MIGHT APPEAR AS RESULT OF VISIT TO MARTA SABORIO SCHOOL).

21. TO WHAT EXTENT DO YOU BELIEVE THAT WOMEN SHOULD TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN POLITICS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS?
WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL VIEWS ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS

AND THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT?
WILDAY

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PRESS CONFERENCES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 27-May-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977SANJO02422
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770189-0539
Format: TEL
From: SAN JOSE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t1977059/aaaaahkq.tel
Line Count: 160
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 2c6f179a-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION A
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 22-Mar-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2629449
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: MRS. CARTER'S VISIT TO LATIN AMERICA HERewith REVISED LIST OF QUESTIONS POSSIBLY EXPECTED AT MRS. CARTER'S PRESS CONFERENCE.
TAGS: OVIP, SOPN, US, EC, (CARTER, ROSALYNN)
To: STATE WHITE HOUSE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/2c6f179a-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009